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May 11, 2010

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: CC Docket 02-33 – Notice of Detariffing of Common Carrier Wireline Broadband Internet Access Transmission Service**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

By this letter, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 101 of the Federal Communications Commission's *Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* in CC Docket Numbers 02-33 and 01-337 released September 23, 2005, FCC 05-150 ("*Broadband Internet Order*"), Union Telephone Company ("Company") hereby notifies the Commission that the Company intends to commence offering its wireline broadband internet access transmission service (WBIATS) on a detariffed basis effective July 1, 2010. While the service will be detariffed, it will continue to be offered on a common carrier basis. Accordingly, the Company has notified the National Exchange Carrier Exchange ("NECA") and requested the Company be removed from the list of carriers providing Digital Subscriber Line service under NECA Tariff F.C.C No. 5, effective July 1, 2010.

Union Telephone Company has only one customer currently taking WBIATS and that customer is the nonregulated Internet Service Provider ("ISP") operation of the Company. The nonregulated operation of the Company purchases WBIATS as a component in its broadband Internet service sold to consumer and commercial end user customers. The discontinuation of the tariffed offering of WBIATS will have no effect on the end user Internet service provided by the Company.

Pursuant to the requirements of paragraph 101 of the *Wireline Broadband Order*, a copy of this notice is being sent to the Governor of New Hampshire, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission, and the Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense. A copy of this notice is also being sent to NECA.

If you have any question, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joel Dohmeier".

Joel Dohmeier  
Director – Regulatory Revenue, Strategy & Compliance  
TDS Telecommunications Corporation  
(608) 664-4168

**Notice of Permissive Detariffing of Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service  
Effective July 1, 2010**

**Union Telephone Company – SAC 120049**

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C/o TDS Telecom  
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**CC Docket No. 02-33**

May 11, 2010

Pursuant to Federal Communications Commission's *Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* in CC Docket Numbers 02-33 and 01-337 adopted August 5, 2005 and released September 23, 2005, FCC 05-150 ("*Broadband Internet Order*"), facilities-based wireline carriers are permitted to offer broadband Internet access transmission common carrier service pursuant to tariff, or on a detariffed basis. Effective July 1, 2010, Union Telephone Company ("Company") will begin offering its wireline broadband Internet access transmission service (normally referred to Digital Subscriber Line or DSL service or WBIATS) on a detariffed basis. The Company is required to provide notice to certain parties of the carrier's intent to discontinue providing WBIATS on a tariffed basis. This notice by the Company fulfills that requirement.

The Company will continue to make WBIATS available on a detariffed common-carriage basis through posting on its Internet website ([www.tdstelecom.com](http://www.tdstelecom.com)), with a copy of the generally available terms, conditions and rates available for public inspection at 525 Junction Road, Madison, Wisconsin.

The reasons the Company has elected to make this change in its offering of WBIATS are cost and competition related. Currently, the company is required to offer WBIATS under the rates, terms and conditions of National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) Tariff F.C.C. No. 5. The rates per NECA's tariff are nationwide average rates. By detariffing its wireline broadband Internet access transmission service, the Company will gain greater flexibility which will enable the Company to respond to changing customer demands more quickly than under a tariffing regime. By electing this option, the Company will be able to not only offer more competitive prices but also offer new and innovative service arrangements that respond to the customer needs. The Company's hope is that this change will increase the use of broadband Internet access, a goal shared not only by the Company but also by the Federal government and State of New Hampshire.

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To Provide Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service on a Detariffed Basis

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While the detariffing of this service does not constitute a discontinuance of service, the Federal Communications Commission has asked carriers that implement detariffing to follow procedures similar to those required for the discontinuance of service. Consistent with those requirements, you are hereby informed that the business office address for Union Telephone Company is 7 Central Street, Farmington, New Hampshire. Please also be informed that the geographic areas affected by this change are the certified telecommunications territory served by the Company's Alton, Barnstead, Center Barnstead, Gilmanton Iron Work and New Dunham exchanges. The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive the discontinued service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected.

If you wish to object, you may file your comments within 30 days after receipt of this notification. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554, referencing the Section 63.71 Application of Union Telephone Company. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

This notice is an informational notice only, required by the FCC. No action is required on your part. If you have any questions, please call Joel Dohmeier, Director – Regulatory Revenue, Strategy & Compliance for TDS Telecommunications Corporation at 608-664-4168.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joel Dohmeier", is written over the printed name.

Joel Dohmeier  
Director – Regulatory Revenue, Strategy & Compliance  
TDS Telecommunications Corporation

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

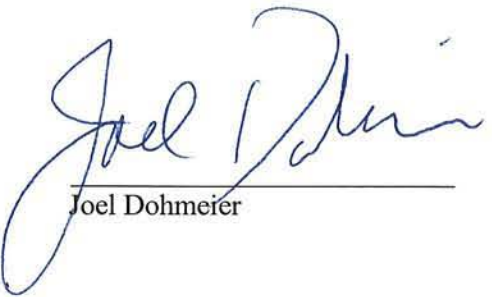
I, Joel Dohmeier, hereby certify that the foregoing Notice of Detariffing was served on May 11, 2009, by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following:

Secretary of Defense  
Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications  
1000 Defense Pentagon  
Washington, D.C. 20301-1000

Office of the Governor  
Office of Governor John Lynch  
State House  
107 North Main Street  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director and Secretary  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
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80 South Jefferson Road  
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